IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Attention All employees Ref No. 521.1

From Gary Novey

Office Bridges and Structures

Subject MM No. 126 (Notification for Removal of Bridges)

Effective immediately the following note shall be added to all plans not yet turned in where the existing structure is to be completely removed. The note shall be used until notification that the specifications have been updated, and its use can be discontinued.

E134/M134

THE CONTRACTOR SHALL NOTIFY THE ENGINEER, IN WRITING, OF THE INTENDED STARTING AND COMPLETION DATES FOR THE REMOVAL OF A BRIDGE. NOTIFICATION SHALL BE NOT LESS THAN 25 CALENDAR DAYS PRIOR TO THE START OF BRIDGE DEMOLITION.

IF THE CONTRACTOR IS UNABLE TO BEGIN WORK ON THE INTENDED START DATE, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL NOTIFY THE ENGINEER, BY TELEPHONE WITH A WRITTEN FOLLOW-UP, OF THE NEW INTENDED START DATE. NOTIFICATION OF THE INABILITY TO COMMENCE WORK ON THE INTENDED START DATE SHALL BE MADE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BEFORE, BUT NO LATER THAN, 1 WORKING DAY PRIOR TO THE ORIGINAL INTENDED START DATE TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF 40 CFR 61.145(B). FAILURE TO COMMENCE WORK ON THE INTENDED START DATE, AND FAILURE TO NOTIFY OF A CHANGE IN START DATE 1 WORKING DAY PRIOR TO THE ORIGINAL START DATE, WILL RESULT IN THE NEED FOR A NEW 25 CALENDAR DAY NOTIFICATION TO THE ENGINEER.

THE CONTRACTING AUTHORITY WILL PROVIDE NOTIFICATION OF THE WORK TO THE IOWA DNR FOR POSSIBLE REPRESENTATION AT THE SITE DURING THE DEMOLITION PROCESS.

The Office of Location and Environment (OLE) has requested the review of all bridge structures scheduled to be removed to determine if asbestos is present. The bridge office will provide a list of all bridges to be removed, to OLE for their field review. If asbestos is present it will need to be removed prior to demolition of the structure. The asbestos removal will be accomplished by specialty contractors prior to, or in coordination with, the bridge contractor's project. OLE will generally be responsible for initiating the asbestos removal

contract. If asbestos removal cannot be accomplished prior to the bridge contractor's start date, a coordination note will be placed in the bridge plans.

In addition, DNR has requested notification prior to demolition in order to verify no asbestos is present on any bridge structure prior to starting the demolition process. This notification will be made by OLE based on information provided by the Resident Construction Engineer.

The attached note (E134/M134) shall be added to the plan to accomplish this notification requirement of the DNR.

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